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[c1] 1. A method for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

initiating a service origination process for the source communication device; and transmitting a response to the floor-control request from a controller after the service origination process is complete.

- 2. The method of Claim 1, further including caching the floor-control response before the transmitting.
 - 3. The method of Claim 1, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse common channel.
 - 4. The method of claim 3, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH).
 - 5. The method of claim 3, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH).
- [c6] 6. The method of claim 3, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request in short data burst (SDB) form.
- [c7] 7. A method for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

initiating a service origination process for the source communication device; and transmitting a response to the floor-control request from a wireless infrastructure after the service origination process is complete.

- [c8] 8. The method of Claim 7, further including caching the floor-control response before the transmitting.
- [c9] 9. The method of Claim 7, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse common channel.
- [c10] 10. The method of claim 9, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH).
- [c11] 11. The method of claim 9, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH).
- [c12] 12. The method of claim 9, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request in short data burst (SDB) form.
- [c‡3] 13. A method for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

transmitting a response to the floor-control request; and initiating a service origination process for the source communication device.

- [c14] 14. The method of claim 13, wherein the transmitting includes transmitting the response on a forward common channel.
- [c15] 15. The method of claim 14, wherein the transmitting includes transmitting the response on a forward paging channel (F-PCH).
- [c16] 16. The method of claim 14, wherein the transmitting includes transmitting the response on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH).
- [c17] 17. The method of claim 14, wherein the transmitting includes transmitting the response in short data burst (SDB) form.

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[c18] 18. A computer-readable medium embodying a method for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

initiating a service origination process for the source communication device; and transmitting a response to the floor-control request from a controller after the service origination process is complete.

- [c\frac{1}{2}] 19. The computer-readable medium of Claim 18, wherein the method further includes caching the floor-control response before the transmitting.
 - 20. The computer-readable medium of Claim 18, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse common channel.
 - 21. The computer-readable medium of claim 20, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH).
- [c22] 22. The computer-readable medium of claim 20, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH).
- [c23] 23. The computer-readable medium of claim 20, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request in short data burst (SDB) form.
- [c24] 24. A computer-readable medium embodying a method for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

initiating a service origination process for the source communication device; and transmitting a response to the floor-control request from a wireless infrastructure after the service origination process is complete.

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- [c25] 25. The computer-readable medium of Claim 24, wherein the method further includes caching the floor-control response before the transmitting.
- The computer-readable medium of Claim 24, wherein the receiving includes [c26] 26. receiving the floor-control request on a reverse common channel.
- [c27]27. The computer-readable medium of claim 26, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH).
- [c28] [c29] The computer-readable medium of claim 26, wherein the receiving includes 28. receiving the floor-control request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH).
 - The computer-readable medium of claim 26, wherein the receiving includes 29. receiving the floor-control request in short data burst (SDB) form.
 - A computer-readable medium embodying a method for avoiding simultaneous 30. service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, the method comprising:

receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

transmitting a response to the floor-control request; and initiating a service origination process for the source communication device.

- The computer-readable medium of claim 30, wherein the transmitting includes [c31] 31. transmitting the response on a forward common channel.
- The computer-readable medium of claim 31, wherein the transmitting includes [c32] 32. transmitting the response on a forward paging channel (F-PCH).
- The computer-readable medium of claim 31, wherein the transmitting includes [c33] 33. transmitting the response on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH).

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- [c34] 34. The computer-readable medium of claim 31, wherein the transmitting includes transmitting the response in short data burst (SDB) form.
- [c35] 35. An apparatus for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, comprising:

means for receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

means for initiating a service origination process for the source communication device; and

means for transmitting a response to the floor-control request from a controller after the service origination process is complete.

- 36. The apparatus of Claim 35, further including means for caching the floor-control response before the transmitting.
- 37. The apparatus of Claim 35, wherein the means for receiving includes means for receiving the floor-control request on a reverse common channel.
- 38. The apparatus of claim 37, wherein the means for receiving includes means for receiving the floor-control request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH).
- [c39] 39. The apparatus of claim 37, wherein the means for receiving includes means for receiving the floor-control request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH).
- [c40] 40. The apparatus of claim 37, wherein the means for receiving includes means for receiving the floor-control request in short data burst (SDB) form.
- [c41] 41. An apparatus for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, the method comprising:

means for receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

means for initiating a service origination process for the source communication device; and

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means for transmitting a response to the floor-control request from a wireless infrastructure after the service origination process is complete.

- 42. The apparatus of Claim 41, further including means for caching the floor-control [c42]response before the transmitting.
- [c43] 43. The apparatus of Claim 41, wherein the means for receiving includes means for receiving the floor-control request on a reverse common channel.
- [c44] 44. The apparatus of claim 43, wherein the means for receiving includes means for [c45] receiving the floor-control request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH).
 - 45. The apparatus of claim 43, wherein the means for receiving includes means for receiving the floor-control request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH).
 - 46. The apparatus of claim 43, wherein the means for receiving includes means for receiving the floor-control request in short data burst (SDB) form.
 - 47. An apparatus for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, the method comprising:

means for receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

means for transmitting a response to the floor-control request; and means for initiating a service origination process for the source communication device.

- 48. [c48] The apparatus of claim 47, wherein the means for transmitting includes means for transmitting the response on a forward common channel.
- [c49] 49. The apparatus of claim 48, wherein the means for transmitting includes means for transmitting the response on a forward paging channel (F-PCH).
- [c50]50. The apparatus of claim 48, wherein the means for transmitting includes means for transmitting the response on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH).

The apparatus of claim 48, wherein the means for transmitting includes means for

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- 52. An apparatus for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, comprising:
 - a receiver;

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a transmitter; and

transmitting the response in short data burst (SDB) form.

- a processor communicatively coupled to the receiver and the transmitter, the processor being capable of:
- receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

initiating a service origination process for the source communication device; and transmitting a response to the floor-control request from a controller after the service origination process is complete.

- 53. The apparatus of Claim 52, the processor further being capable of caching the floor-control response before the transmitting.
- [c54] 54. The apparatus of Claim 52, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floorcontrol request on a reverse common channel.
- 55. [c55] The apparatus of claim 54, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floorcontrol request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH).
- [c56] 56. The apparatus of claim 54, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floorcontrol request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH).
- [c57] 57. The apparatus of claim 54, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floorcontrol request in short data burst (SDB) form.
- [c58]58. An apparatus for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, the method comprising:

a receiver;

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- a transmitter; and
- a processor communicatively coupled to the receiver and the transmitter, the processor being capable of:

receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

initiating a service origination process for the source communication device; and transmitting a response to the floor-control request from a wireless infrastructure after the service origination process is complete.

- 59. The apparatus of Claim 58, the processor further being capable of caching the floor-control response before the transmitting.
- 60. The apparatus of Claim 58, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse common channel.
- 61. The apparatus of claim 60, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse access channel (R-ACH).
- 62. The apparatus of claim 60, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request on a reverse enhanced access channel (R-EACH).
- [c63] 63. The apparatus of claim 60, wherein the receiving includes receiving the floor-control request in short data burst (SDB) form.
- [c64] 64. A apparatus for avoiding simultaneous service origination and paging in a mobile operating in a group communication network, the method comprising:
 - a receiver;
 - a transmitter; and
 - a processor communicatively coupled to the receiver and the transmitter, the processor being capable of:

receiving a floor-control request from a source communication device for initiating a group call;

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 transmitting a response to the floor-control request; and initiating a service origination process for the source communication device.

- 65. [c65]The apparatus of claim 64, wherein the transmitting includes transmitting the response on a forward common channel.
- 66. [c66] The apparatus claim 65, wherein the transmitting includes transmitting the response on a forward paging channel (F-PCH).
- 67. [c67] The apparatus of claim 65, wherein the transmitting includes transmitting the [c**6**8] response on a forward common control channel (F-CCCH).
 - 68. The apparatus of claim 65, wherein the transmitting includes transmitting the response in short data burst (SDB) form.
 - 69. The apparatus of claim 68, wherein the source communication device includes a push-to-talk (PTT) device.